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Bioabsorbable Endoprosthesis having Elongate Axial

Reservoir for By-Product Collection

STATEMENT REGARDING DIVISIONAL APPLICATION

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Sir:

Applicant requests examination of the enclosed application submitted in the form preferred for publication, including specification, claims, abstract and drawings. The enclosed application incorporates the following amendments of the prior application:

In the Specification:

On the first page, after the title, the following additional paragraph is inserted:

-- This is a divisional of copending application Serial No. 09/416,506, filed October 8, 1999 as a divisional of application Serial No. 08/905,805 (now U.S. Patent No. 5,980,564), filed August 1, 1997.--

On page 33, the specification has been amended to identify by number the U.S. patents corresponding to the U.S. patent applications identified in the prior application.